in the 'Times of India' of 4th January, 1986 under the caption 'terrorist gang busted' to the effect that an American couple was also a member of the gang; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to nab the foreign terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) and (b) Government of Bihar has informed that no such gang has been busted. The news item has no factual basis.

Request by India for a compromise in Sri Lanka

1779. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India had urged the Sri Lankan Government on the 31st December, 1985 through its High Commissioner in that country to offer a more meaningful compromise which should be responsive to Sri Lankan Tamils' aspirations and had also conveyed its anxiety over reports of violence affecting the civilian population in the Island;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the Sri Lankan Government; and

(c) whether in spite of India's repeated requests to the Sri Lankan Government, the civilian population there is being brutely treated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Sri Lankan Government conveyed that discussions in regard to a political solution should be continued.

(c) Yes Sir.

Setting up of an atomic energy centre in Kerala

1780. SHRI C. HARIDAS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to establish an atomic energy centre in Kerala so as to meet the lasting shortage of hydro- electric power in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMNT, ATOMIS ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) Sites in Kerala, which from part of the Southern Electricity Region, have been assessed by the Site Selection Committee for setting up nuclear power stations. Its report is under consideration of the Government.

C.I.A. Agents in Acharya Rajnesh Entourage

1781. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the "Bhagwan Rajneesh entourage" which came from America contained any American C.I.A. agents or any spies for foreign country; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) and (b) There is no information to indicate that there were C.I.A. agents